विद्यमान 36 ताप विद्युत केन्द्रों का नवीकरण और आधुनिकीकरण करने के लिए केन्द्र द्वारा प्रायोजित एक स्कीम क्रियान्वयन के लिए अनुमोदित की गई है ।

Neyveli Lignite Mines

1449. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI S. W. DHABE:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to expand the existing capacity of the Neyveli-Lignite Mines, Thermal Power station and briquetting plant in the Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is a demand by the workers there to build single storeyed quarters instead of multistoreyed being constructed now as there is no dearth of land there; if so, what is the reaction of Government to this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) Projects for expansion of the Second Lignite Mine from 4.7 million tonnes to 10.5 million tonnes per annum and of the Second Thermal Power Station from 630 MW to 1470 MW are under implementation at Neyveli. There is no proposal for increasing the capacity of the Briquetting & Carbonisation Plant at present.

(c) Neyveli Lignite Corporation has both single storeyed and double storeyed houses. There is no demand from the workers for the construction of single storeyed accommodation only.

Providing Management Consultancy Services to Public Sector Undertakings by Non-Resident Indian

1450. SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a US based Non-Resident Indian Firm has struck a package deal for providing management consultancy services to public sector undertakings under different Ministries on high consultancy fees off about $ 150,000 per annum (as against the usual fees of not more than $ 75,000 per year);

(b) if so, what are the details of the agreement; and

(c) what are the reasons for offering such monopolistic deal to this firm at such exorbitant rates?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The proposal envisages setting up a joint venture company in India for providing management and specialised technological services. This Company will have an equity participation from some of the Public Sector Undertakings along with a new company to be formed by highly qualified non-resident Indians with the back up support of one of the biggest Internationally known Companies. The scope of specialised services to be obtained shall be defined and quantified by Public sector undertakings. The amount of consultancy fee and other terms would be negotiated and settled by the Public Sector Undertakings with the proposal joint venture company in each case.

Achievement of Power Capacity

1451. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated additional power capacity which is likely to be achieved by the end of the year 1985-86 as against the projection;

(b) what is the actual expenditure incurred by the State Electricity Boards in the country for the renovation and modernisation of the thermal power plants as against the Central allocation stating the reasons for the short, if any;

(c) which of the major on-going hydel/thermal power projects have shown further slippage in their completion at the end of 1985 stating the reasons therefor